

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage comprising:
an extract of maca; and
a distilled liquor mainly made from fermented muscat grapes, wherein
the distilled liquor contains 1 to 400 ppm of acetic acid with respect to the amount of
pure alcohol contained therein.

Claim 2 (Original): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim
1, wherein 1 part by weight of the extract of maca in terms of solid matter is contained in 0.5 to
1,000 parts by weight of the distilled liquor.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage
according to claim 1 ~~[[or 2]]~~, further comprising fruit juice.

Claim 4 (Original): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim
3, wherein the fruit juice is one selected from the group consisting of lemon juice, grapefruit
juice, and lime juice.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage
according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, further comprising an extract of herb.

Claim 6 (Original): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 5, wherein the extract of herb is spirits containing an extract of rose hip.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, wherein the extract of maca is obtained by adding an ethanol-containing aqueous solution to pulverized maca to carry out extraction at 20 to 75°C.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, which is a carbonated beverage.

Claim 9 (Original): A method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage, the method comprising using a distilled liquor mainly made from fermented muscat grapes as a base alcohol to which an extract of maca is to be added, wherein the distilled liquor contains 1 to 400 ppm of acetic acid with respect to the amount of pure alcohol contained therein.

Claim 10 (Original): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 9, further comprising allowing the alcoholic beverage to contain fruit juice.

Claim 11 (Original): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 10, wherein the fruit juice is one selected from the group consisting of lemon juice, grapefruit juice, and lime juice.

Claim 12 (Original): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 11, further comprising allowing the alcoholic beverage to contain an extract of herb.

Claim 13 (Original): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to claim 12, wherein the extract of herb is spirits containing an extract of rose hip.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The method for decreasing an odor of extract of maca contained in a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage according to ~~any one of claims 9 to 13~~ claim 9, further comprising allowing the alcoholic beverage to contain a carbonic acid.

Claim 15 (Original): A method for manufacturing a maca extract-containing alcoholic beverage, the method comprising: preparing a distilled liquor mainly made from fermented muscat grapes and containing 1 to 400 ppm of acetic acid with respect to the amount of pure alcohol contained therein; and allowing the distilled liquor to contain an extract of maca.